CHAPTERS 1 THROUGH 6

Rules and Regulations for the Wyoming End Stage Renal Disease Program
Intent to Adopt Amended Rules

Statement of Reasons

The Wyoming Department of Health proposes the following Amended Rules to comply with the provisions of the Medical Assistance and Services Act at W.S. 42-4-101, *et seq.*, and more specifically the Wyoming End Stage Renal Disease Program. This Program was expanded in the 2001 Legislative General Session at House Enrolled Act (HEA) 88, which was codified at W.S. 42-4-117. The Act, W.S. 42-4-117, and the Wyoming Administrative Procedures Act at W.S. 16-3-101, *et seq.*, authorize the Department of Health to promulgate these rules amending the requirements of the Wyoming End Stage Renal Disease Program.

The Proposed Amended Rules amend the existing Rules by updating the eligibility and application process (see Chapter 2, Sections 3 through 7); removing the requirement that End Stage Renal Disease dialysis facilities contract with the Wyoming Department of Health (see Chapter 3, Sections 2 and 3, and Chapter 5, Section 2); and updating the language throughout to reflect these changes, to eliminate gender bias and to do general updating to reflect current practices. The name of the implementing agency has been amended to reflect this name change within the Wyoming Department of Health, and federal agency names and documents have been updated.

As required by W.S. 16-3-103(a)(i)(G), the amendments to the Rules implementing the Wyoming End Stage Renal Disease Program meet minimum substantive state statutory requirements.